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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1 and add the following claim:

receiver station comprising a television monitor for displaying television programming
and a processor for generating some of the video image of a television program and
outputting said image to said television monitor, said method comprising the steps of:
receiving a television signal, said television signal containing some digital data;
detecting said digital data and passing some of said digital data to said
processor;